S. 776

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 25, 2001

Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Baucus, and Mr. Wellstone) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Medicaid Safety Net
- 5 Improvement Act of 2001".

1	SEC. 2. INCREASE IN FLOOR FOR TREATMENT AS AN EX-
2	TREMELY LOW DSH STATE TO 3 PERCENT IN
3	FISCAL YEAR 2002.
4	(a) Increase in DSH Floor.—Section 1923(f)(5)
5	of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. $1396r-4(f)(5)$) is
6	amended—
7	(1) by striking "fiscal year 1999" and inserting
8	"fiscal year 2000";
9	(2) by striking "August 31, 2000" and insert-
10	ing "August 31, 2001";
11	(3) by striking "1 percent" each place it ap-
12	pears and inserting "3 percent"; and
13	(4) by striking "fiscal year 2001" and inserting
14	"fiscal year 2002".
15	(b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
16	subsection (a) take effect on October 1, 2001, and apply
17	to DSH allotments under title XIX of the Social Security
18	Act for fiscal year 2002 and each fiscal year thereafter.

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